CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PLANT

1.1 Introduction

This Design Control Document (DCD) for the Westinghouse AP1000 simplified passive advanced light water reactor plant is incorporated by reference into the Design Certification Rule for the AP1000 design (Section II.A) of Appendix D to 10 CFR Part 52. The DCD is also submitted to the NRC for review and approval of an application for an amendment to the Design Certification Rule for the AP1000.

1.1.1 Plant Location

The AP1000 is a standardized plant that is to be placed on a site with parameters described in Chapter 2, "Site Characteristics." The site parameters relate to the seismology, hydrology, meteorology, geology, heat sink, and other site-related aspects.

1.1.2 Containment Type

The containment building is a freestanding, cylindrical, steel containment vessel with elliptical upper and lower heads. It is surrounded by a seismic Category I shield building constructed of reinforced concrete and steel concrete composite modules. The containment vessel is an integral part of the passive containment cooling system. The vessel provides the safety-related interface with the ultimate heat sink, which is the surrounding atmosphere. Westinghouse is responsible, along with their contractor team members, for the design of the containment.

1.1.3 Reactor Type

The nuclear steam supply system (NSSS) for the AP1000 is a Westinghouse-designed pressurized water reactor.

1.1.4 Power Output

The plant's net producible electrical power to the grid is at least 1000 MWe, with a core power rating of 3400 MWt. In some safety evaluations a power level higher than the rated power level is employed.

1.1.5 Schedule

The scheduled completion date and estimated commercial operation date of nuclear power plants referencing the AP1000 design certification are provided as discussed in subsection 1.1.7.

1.1.6 Format and Content

1.1.6.1 Regulatory Guide 1.70

To the extent practical, the AP1000 DCD has used as a guide the format and content recommendations of Regulatory Guide 1.70, Revision 3, "Standard Format and Content of Safety Analysis Reports for Nuclear Power Plants - LWR Edition," November 1978.

The DCD generally uses the same chapter, section, subsection, and paragraph headings used in the standard format. Where appropriate, the DCD is subdivided beyond the extent of the standard format to provide additional information specifically required for that area. Similarly, some of the passive features of the AP1000 require modification of the standard format and content either in terms of placement or type of material presented.

1.1.6.2 Standard Review Plan

The technical guidance provided in NUREG-0800, is followed in the preparation of the AP1000 DCD. Standard Review Plan conformance is also determined in accordance with 10 CFR 50.34 to identify the deviations of the AP1000 DCD from the Standard Review Plan. See subsection 1.9.2 for additional details on Standard Review Plan conformance.

1.1.6.3 Text, Tables, and Figures

AP1000 DCD tables of data are identified by the section or subsection number followed by a sequential number (for example, Table 3.3-5 is the fifth table of Section 3.3). Tables are located at the end of the section immediately following the text. Drawings, pictures, sketches, curves, graphs, plots, and engineering diagrams are identified as figures and are numbered sequentially by section or subsection similar to tables, and follow at the end of the applicable section or subsection.

1.1.6.4 Numbering of Pages

Text pages are numbered sequentially within each section or subsection.

1.1.6.5 Proprietary Information

The AP1000 DCD contains no proprietary information.

1.1.6.6 DCD Acronyms

Table 1.1-1 provides a list of acronyms used in the AP1000 DCD. Acronyms for systems are defined in the section in which they are used. Other acronyms may be defined in the section in which they are used. Table 1.7-2 provides a list of AP1000 system designators.

1.1.7 Combined License Information

Combined License applicants referencing the AP1000 certified design will provide the construction and startup schedule information.

Table 1.1-1 (Sheet 1 of 4)		
	AP1000 DCD ACRONYMS	
ac	Alternating Current	
ACI	American Concrete Institute	
ACRS	Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards	
ADS	Automatic Depressurization System	
AISC	American Institute of Steel Construction	
AISI	American Iron and Steel Institute	
ALARA	As-Low-As-Reasonably Achievable	
ALWR	Advanced Light Water Reactor	
AMCA	Air Movement and Control Association	
ANS	American Nuclear Society	
ANL	Argonne National Laboratory	
ANSI	American National Standards Institute	
API	American Petroleum Institute	
ARI	Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute	
ASCE	American Society of Civil Engineers	
ASHRAE	American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Engineers	
ASME	American Society of Mechanical Engineers	
ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials	
ATWS	Anticipated Transient Without Scram	
AWS	American Welding Society	
BEACON	Best Estimate Analyzer for Core Operations - Nuclear	
BOL	Beginning of Life	
BOP	Balance of Plant	
BTP	Branch Technical Position	
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	
CHF	Critical Heat Flux	
CMAA	Crane Manufacturers Association of American	
CMT	Core Makeup Tank	
CRD	Control Rod Drive	
COL	Combined Operating License/Combined License	
CRDM	Control Rod Drive Mechanism	
CSA	Control Support Area	
CVS	Chemical and Volume Control System	
DAC	Design Acceptance Criteria	
dc	Direct Current	
DBA	Design Basis Accident	
DBE	Design Basis Event	
DCD	Design Control Document	

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AP1000 DCD ACRONYMS		
D-EHC	Digital Electrohydraulic Control	
DEMA	Diesel Engine Manufacturers Association	
DNB	Departure from Nucleate Boiling	
DNBR	Departure from Nucleate Boiling Ratio	
DOE	Department of Energy	
DPU	Distributed Processing Unit	
EFPD	Effective Full Power Days	
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement	
EMI	Electromagnetic Interference	
EOF	Emergency Offsite Facility	
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	
EPRI	Electric Power Research Institute	
ER	Environmental Report	
ERF	Emergency Response Facility	
ESF	Engineered Safety Features	
ESFAS	Engineered Safety Features Actuation System	
FID	Fixed Incore Detector	
FM	Factory Mutual Engineering and Research Corporation	
FMEA	Failure Modes and Effects Analysis	
FWPCA	Federal Water Pollution Control Act	
GDC	General Design Criteria	
GSI	Generic Safety Issues	
HEPA	High Efficiency Particulate Air	
HFE	Human Factors Engineering	
HVAC	Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning	
I&C	Instrumentation and Control	
ICEA	Insulated Cable Engineers Association	
IDCOR	Industry Degraded Core Rulemaking	
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers	
IES	Illumination Engineering Society	
ILRT	Integrated Leak Rate Test	
INEL	Idaho National Engineering Laboratory	
I/O	Input/Output	
IRWST	In Containment Refueling Water Storage Tank	
ISA	Instrument Society of America	
ISI	Inservice Inspection	
IST	Inservice Testing	

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AP1000 DCD ACRONYMS		
ITAAC	Inspections, Tests, Analyses and Acceptance Criteria	
LBB	Leak-Before-Break	
LOCA	Loss of Coolant Accident	
LOF	Loss-of-Flow with Failure to Scram	
LOFT	Loss of Flow Test	
LOOP	Loss of Offsite Power	
LOSP	Loss of System Pressure with Degraded ECCS Operation	
LPZ	Low Population Zone	
LSB	Last Stage Blade	
LWR	Light Water Reactor	
MAAP	Modular Accident Analysis Programs	
MCC	Motor Control Center	
MCR	Main Control Room	
MCRHS	Main Control Room Habitability System	
MFCV	Main Feedwater Control Valve	
MFIV	Main Feedwater Isolation Valve	
M-MIS	Man-Machine Interface System	
MOV	Motor-operated Valves	
MPC	Maximum Permissible Concentration	
MSIV	Main Steam Isolation Valve	
MSLB	Main Steam Line Break	
MTBE(F)	Mean Time Between Event (Failure)	
MW	Megawatt	
MWe	Megawatt, electric	
MWt	Megawatt, thermal	
NAE	National Academy of Engineering	
NAS	National Academy of Sciences	
NBS	National Bureau of Standards	
NEC	National Electrical Code	
NEI	Nuclear Energy Institute	
NEMA	National Electrical Manufacturers Association	
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association	
NPSH	Net Positive Suction Head	
NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission	
NSSS	Nuclear Steam Supply System	
NUMARC	Nuclear Management and Resources Council (Superseded by NEI)	
NUREG	Report designator for NRC reports	

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AP1000 DCD ACRONYMS		
ORE	Occupation Radiation Exposure	
PCS	Passive Containment Cooling System	
P&ID	Piping and Instrumentation Diagram	
PRA	Probabilistic Risk Assessment	
PRHR	Passive Residual Heat Removal	
PRHR HX	Passive Residual Heat Removal Heat Exchanger	
PWR	Pressurized Water Reactor	
PXS	Passive Core Cooling System	
QA	Quality Assurance	
RAM	Reliability, Availability, Maintainability	
RAP	Reliability Assurance Program	
RCS	Reactor Coolant System	
RCDT	Reactor Coolant Drain Tank	
RFI	Radio Frequency Interference	
R.G.	Regulatory Guide	
RNS	Normal Residual Heat Removal	
RSW	Remote Shutdown Workstation	
RV	Reactor Vessel	
SECY	Secretary of the Commission Letter	
SER	Safety Evaluation Report	
SMACNA	Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National Association	
SRP	Standard Review Plan	
SSAR	Standard Safety Analysis Report	
SSD	System Specification Document	
SSE	Safe Shutdown Earthquake	
SSI	Soil Structure Interaction	
SUFCV	Startup Feedwater Control Valve	
SUFIV	Startup Feedwater Isolation Valve	
TID	Total Integrated Dose	
TMI	Three Mile Island	
TSC	Technical Support Center	
UBC	Uniform Building Code	
UL	Underwriters Laboratories	
UPS	Uninterruptible Power Supply	
URD	Utility Requirements Document	
USI	Unresolved Safety Issue	
USPHS	United States Public Health Service	
WCAP	Westinghouse report designator, originally Westinghouse Commercial Atomic Power	